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<b>STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW</b>		Attorney Docket Number: 10517/178 PATENT	
Applicant Shiro AKIYAMA	Application No. 10/621,372	Filing Date July 18, 2003	
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Invention Title SEALING STRUCTURE OF FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SAME		Assignee TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA	

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Sir:

In compliance with M.P.E.P. 713.04, the Applicant provides this Statement of Substance of Interview concerning the personal interview conducted on February 15, 2007 with Examiner Yuan.

- (A) Exhibits. No exhibit was shown or demonstration was conducted.
- (B) Claim. 1.
- (C) Prior art. FIGS. 6-8 of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0187384 to Kato.
- (D) Amendments. Amending claim 1 to include limitations of dependent claims 2 and 6. Amending claim 1 to include recitation that protruding portions are offset from one another.
- (E) Principal arguments of Applicant. Claim 1 is patentable over Kato '384 reference.
- (F) Other matters. N/A
- (G) Results. Agreement was not reached. Examiner agreed to consider "offset" language after final.

**PATENT**

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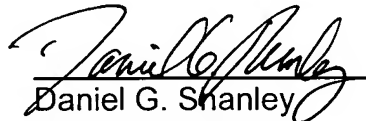
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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 202-220-4420 to discuss any matter regarding this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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